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Sen. Laura Toy offers booklets on natural resources and the environment in conjunction with America Recycles Day

LANSING – State Sen. Laura M. Toy, R-Livonia, announced that copies of the "Michigan's Natural Resources and Environment: A Citizen's Guide" are now available from her office.

While the Legislature continues to address issues such as the importation of foreign waste and out-of-state trash and invasive species attacking our Great Lakes, there are things that every Michigan resident can do to help protect the state's environment.

"We are truly blessed to call the Great Lakes State of Michigan our home," Sen. Toy said. "Michigan unfortunately has one of the worst recycling rates in the nation. This November, and throughout the year, I urge my fellow residents to do their part to reduce, reuse and recycle. Together we must work to preserve Michigan's many natural resources. Recycling helps protect our resources, environment and quality of life."

The booklet contains information on nine natural resource topics and seven environmental topics, discussing the benefits, impacts and tips for what residents can do to enjoy and help protect Michigan's environment.

"Whether starting the first recycling center in Livonia, or helping to establish one of the first ecology commissions in Michigan back in the early 1970s, the passion I developed for our environment as a young woman stays with me today," Sen. Toy said. "These guides provide information on our state's efforts to protect the environment and how residents can help."

Nov. 15 marked the ninth annual celebration of America Recycles Day, a nationwide awareness event that encourages people to recycle and buy recycled products.

Residents of the 6th Senate District can contact Sen. Toy's office at (517) 373-1707 to obtain a free copy of Michigan's Natural Resources and Environment: A Citizen's Guide.